

Third Grade – Start with These!

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- Adler, David *Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds** What crook is any match for Cam Jansen, the girl with the amazing photographic memory?" Action, gentle humor + mystery! 58 p.
- Blume, Judy *Freckle Juice** Andrew wants freckles so badly that he buys Sharon's freckle recipe for 50¢. 40 p.
- Brezenoff, Steven *The Mount Rushmore Face that Couldn't See** When Cat and her friends arrive at Mount Rushmore they discover that someone is playing dangerous tricks. *Field Trip Mysteries*. 79 p.
- Butler, Dori *Case of the Lost Boy** Buddy, an exuberant dog detective, tells of the cases he solves in his own humorous and good-hearted way. *Buddy Files*. 123 p.
- Cameron, Ann *Stories Julian Tells** Julian is great at telling stories -- but some stories can lead to trouble! 71 p.
- Cooper, Ilene *Absolutely Lucy** Bobby is so shy he can't make friends. But when he gets a playful and curious beagle puppy for his birthday, things start to change. 76 p.
- Coven, Wanda *Heidi Heckelbeck Has a Secret** Heidi seems like any other 8-year-old, but she has a secret-- she's a witch in disguise! Appealing illustrations and short chapters. 118 p.
- Coville, Bruce *Dragon of Doom** Life in Pigbone is dull until an aspiring magician and his talking toad arrive and ask Edward to help them slay the Dragon of Doom. *Moongobble & Me*. 69 p.
- Dagliesh, Alice *Courage of Sarah Noble* In 1707, 8-year-old Sarah travels into the Connecticut wilderness and remains alone when her father goes back to bring the rest of the family. 52 p.
- Hooks, William *Pioneer Cat* A pioneer girl smuggles a cat aboard her wagon train. Action packed! 63 p.
- Jules, Jacqueline *Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Takes Off** Freddie finds sneakers that somehow allow him to run faster than a train, and inspire him to perform heroic deeds. 77 p.
- McDonald, Megan *Stink and the Midnight Zombie Walk** Stink and his friends try to earn money to buy the latest book in the Nightmare on Zombie Street series and go to the book release party. 144 p.
- McMullen, Kate *New Kid at School** Wiglaf, the picked on and sensitive son in a family of louts, heads off to dragon-slaying school. *Dragon Slayers' Academy*. 91 p.
- Osborne, Mary Pope *Dinosaurs Before Dark** Jack and Annie's *Magic Tree House* whisks them back in time. 68 p.
- Park, Barbara *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business** Through a misunderstanding, Junie B. thinks her baby brother is really a baby monkey, which creates excitement and trouble in her class. 68 p.
- Pilkey, Dav *Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot** Ricky Ricotta, a mouse, saves a giant robot from his evil creator, Dr. Stinky, and in turn, the robot protects Ricky from the bullies at school. 111 p.
- Warner, Sally *Ellray Jakes is Not a Chicken!** Ellray's dad promises him a trip to Disneyland if he can stay out of trouble at school for a week. If only Jared and Stanley would leave him alone! 108 p.
- Wight, Eric *Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom** In Frankie's vivid imagination the cleaning of his incredibly messy room is an exploit befitting an action hero. Comic lovers will cheer! 79 p.

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- American ***Meet Josefina**** 9-year-old Josefina, the youngest of four sisters living in New Mexico in 1824, tries to help run their ranch and household after her mother dies. *American Girl*. 85 p.
- Barrows, Annie ***Ivy + Bean**** Bean discovers that her new neighbor is a lot more fun than she suspected. Plenty of appealing illustrations accompany this comical, warm-hearted story. 113 p.
- Birney, Betty ***The World According to Humphrey**** Humphrey, the class hamster, goes home with students or staff each weekend and helps them in life-changing ways. *According to Humphrey*. 124 p.
- Bruel, Nick ***Bad Kitty: School Daze**** Kitty's bad behavior gets her sent her off to obedience school. 150 p.
- English, Karen ***Nikki & Deja**** Two third graders are best friends and neighbors, but when a new girl moves in their friendship unravels. A sensitive and humorous exploration of childhood friendship. 76 p.
- Hale, Bruce ***Mystery of Mr. Nice**** 4th grade private eye *Chet Gecko* plunges into a hilarious case. 136 p.
- Harper, Charise ***Just Grace**** Grace's superpower is empathy. Read her diary, full of her charming artwork. 138 p.
- Klimo, Kate ***Dragon in the Sock Drawer**** It's a wish come true when Jesse's egg hatches a dragon! 159 p.
- Look, Lenore ***Ruby Lu, Star of the Show**** When Ruby Lu's father loses his job, the fun-loving and effervescent 3rd grader learns how to have fun, and even to be generous-- on a budget. 136 p.
- Lowry, Lois ***Gooney Bird Greene**** Feisty, friendly Gooney Bird captivates her classmates with wild but "absolutely true" stories, such as "How Gooney Bird Came from China on a Flying Carpet." 88 p.
- McDonald, Megan ***Judy Moody**** 3rd grade puts irrepressible Judy Moody in a mad-face mood. 160 p.
- Pennypacker, Sara ***Clementine**** "Spectacularful ideas are always sproinging up in my brain," says Clementine, an imaginative 3rd grader with a talent for trouble and a good heart. 133 p.
- Pilkey, Dav ***Adventures of Captain Underpants**** George and Harold hypnotize Principal Krupp, turning him into Captain Underpants, their own superhero creation. Comic-style wackiness. 117 p.
- Pinkwater, Daniel ***Magic Pretzel**** 4th grader Norman Gnormal, who acts a lot like a dog, finds his first real friends when the principal signs him up for the Werewolf Club at school. *Werewolf Club*. 78 p.
- Scieszka, John ***Knights of the Kitchen Table**** Friends time travel to wacky adventures. *Time Warp Trio*. 55 p.
- Sobel, Donald ***Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective**** "Encyclopedia" Leroy Brown solves ten mysteries and, by putting the solutions at the back of the book, challenges the reader to do the same. 88 p.
- Tarshis, Lauren ***Sinking of the Titanic, 1912**** George and his family are aboard the ill-fated ship. *I Survived*. 88 p.
- Trine, Greg ***Curse of the Bologna Sandwich**** Melvin, young graduate of the Superhero Academy, battles villains and his weakness for bologna, to save the day! *Melvin Beederman, Superhero*. 138 p.
- Winkler, Henry ***Niagara Falls, or Does It?**** Hank is grounded! Will the magic show go on? *Hank Zipzer*. 133 p.